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SUBJ: FAO DIRECTO-GENERAL'S REMARKS ON POLITICIZATION OF UN
AGENCIES AND ROLE OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES

1. FOLLOWING IS THE PORTION OF FAO DIRECT-GENERAL SAOUMA'S
SPEECH AT THE BERLING GREEN WEEK ON JANUARY 28 CONCERNING THE
QUESTION OF POLITICIZATION AND THE ROLE OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES.

2. QTE AS REGARDS THE ORGANIZATION, IT IS FASHIONABLE TO
CRITICISE THE ORGANIZATIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM AS
POLITICAL AND EXPENSIVE. I WILL NOT SPEAK FOR THE SYSTEM.
I CAN SPEAK FOR FAO. THE POLITICAL ATMOSPHERE IN FAO IS,
I BELIEVE, VERY FAVOURABLE AND IT IS MY AIM TO KEEP IT SO.

IN THIS CONNECTION, I VENTURE THEREFORE TO SAY THAT A SPECIAL
RESPONSIBILITY LIES UPON THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES, WHICH FIND
THEMSELVES IN THE PARADOXICAL POSITION OF CONSTITUTING A
PREPONDERANT MINORITY. NOT ONLY THEIR HEAVY CONTRIBUTIONS BUT
ALSO THIER CONSTRUCITVE INTEREST AND PARTICIPATION ARE VITAL TO
HT HEALTH OF THE ORGANIZATION. IN FAO, THIS HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED
AND RESPECTED MORE THAN IN OTHER ORGANIZATIONS. AMONG THE REASONS
FOR THIS , HAVE BEEN THEIR WISE AND CONSTRUCTIVE PARTICIPATION
IN DEBATE AND USEFUL ACTION RATHER THAN INSISTENCE ON PRESTIGE
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OF POSITION OF A MEASURED QUANTITY OF POSTS, THEIR WILLINGNESS
TO SEARCH FOR AND ACCEPT CONSENSUS RATHER THAN TO IMPOSE THEIR
STRENGTH ON ISSUES, AND THEIR RECOGNITION THAT FOR DEVELOPMENT
AID TO BE SUCCESSFUL, IT MUST BE INTEGRATED INTO NATIONAL
DEVELOPMENT PLANS BY THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES THEMSELVES,
RATHER THAN REMAINING EXOGENOUS IN CONCEPTION, OBJECTIVE AND
APPLICATION. UNQTE

3. THE NEUE ZURCHER ZEITUNG REPORTED THE SPEECH ACCURATELY
AT THE TIME IN SUMMARY, BUT DID NOT INCLUDE THE REMARK ABOUT
THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES' NOT PRESSING FOR ANY DETERMINED
NUMBER OF POSTS.BEAUDRY

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